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UNIT 3: MUSIC



Reading Passage: The Power of Music

Music is a universal language that connects people across cultures and generations. It has been a part of human civilization for thousands of years, evolving in different ways across the world. From classical symphonies to modern pop songs, music plays a significant role in daily life.

Listening to music can influence emotions, bringing joy, sadness, or relaxation. Studies show that music can even help reduce stress and improve concentration. Many students listen to music while studying, finding it helps them focus. Musicians also benefit from playing instruments, as it enhances memory, coordination, and creativity.

Different types of music serve various purposes. Upbeat songs can provide energy and motivation, while slow melodies promote relaxation. In movies, music enhances emotions and creates suspense. Music is also an essential part of celebrations, such as weddings and festivals, where it brings people together.

Advancements in technology have changed how people listen to music. In the past, records, cassette tapes, and CDs were popular. Today, digital streaming allows instant access to millions of songs worldwide. Despite these changes, music continues to be a powerful force in human life, shaping culture and emotions in remarkable ways.

Task 1: Match the words with definition

Creativity

The power to change or affect something.

Emotions

Something that applies to everyone or everything.

Universal

The ability to come up with new ideas.

Influence

Listening to music online without downloading it.

Streaming

Feelings such as joy, sadness, or excitement.

Task 2: True or False

- 1/ Music can help students focus while studying.*
- 2/ Music is rarely used in celebrations.*
- 3/ Records, cassette tapes, and CDs were once common ways to store music.*
- 4/ Upbeat music can make people feel more tired.*
- 5/ Music influences culture and emotions.*

Answers:

- 1/
- 2/
- 3/
- 4/
- 5/

Task 3: Multiple choices

1/ What is one way music connects people?

- a) By keeping them apart
- b) Through shared cultural experiences
- c) By making them argue
- d) Through competition

2/ What is one emotional effect of music?

- a) It makes people hungry
- b) It always makes people sad
- c) It can bring joy, sadness, or relaxation
- d) It has no effect on emotions

3/ How does playing an instrument benefit musicians?

- a) It makes them taller
- b) It helps with memory, coordination, and creativity
- c) It helps them sleep longer
- d) It has no benefits

Task 3: Multiple choices

4/ What role does music play in movies?

- a) It makes scenes boring
- b) It adds emotional depth and suspense
- c) It replaces the dialogue
- d) It has no role in movies

5/ What is a major change in music listening habits?

- a) More people use cassette tapes
- b) Digital streaming has made access easier
- c) CDs have become more popular
- d) People no longer listen to music